IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA |) | |
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| v. |) | CASE NO. 2:21-cr-00455-MHT |
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| GEORGE WILLIAM EASTERLING |) | |

FINAL ORDER OF FORFEITURE

Before the court is the government's motion for a final order of forfeiture filed on February 14, 2023.

On December 2, 2022, this court entered a preliminary order of forfeiture (Doc. 371) ordering the defendant to forfeit his interest in \$16,000.00 in United States currency, and all birds in his possession.

Notice of this forfeiture, and of the government's intent to dispose of the property in accordance with the law as specified in the preliminary order of forfeiture, and further notifying all third parties of their right to petition the court within 30 days for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of their alleged legal interest in the property, was posted on an official government internet site (www.forfeiture.gov) for at least 30 consecutive days, as required by Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime and Asset Forfeiture Claims. *See* Notice of Publication (Doc. 393).

No petitions of interest have been filed and the time to do so has expired. Therefore, any third-party interests are barred for failure to file a timely petition.

This court finds that the defendant has an interest in the property that is subject to forfeiture pursuant 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), 7 U.S.C. § 2156, and 28 U.S.C. § 2461, and that the government

has established the requisite nexus between the property and such offenses in violation of 7 U.S.C. § 2156 and 18 U.S.C. § 371.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the government's motion for a final order of forfeiture (Doc. 395) is granted as follows:

- 1. The following property is hereby forfeited to the United States pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), 7 U.S.C. § 2156, and 28 U.S.C. § 2461: \$16,000.00 in United States currency, and all birds in his possession.
- 2. All right, title, and interest to the property described above is hereby condemned, forfeited, and vested in the United States and shall be disposed of according to law.
- 3. The United States District Court shall retain jurisdiction in the case for the purpose of enforcing this order.
- 4. The clerk of the court shall forward a certified copy of this order to the United States Attorney's Office.

DONE, this the 7th day of March, 2023.

/s/ Myron H. Thompson UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE